

The Artistic Dance Company

Tiny Team Information Packet

Dancers and Parents,

We are excited that you are looking into joining our Tiny Team! Our Tiny Team was created for dancers that may not be quite old enough for our Mini Team, but still want to participate! The goal of our Tiny Team is to give your little one a step into competition dance without having to commit to a whole season. We understand that being on the Tiny Team is a little bit more time and financial commitment, but we believe that it is truly one of the best things that can help not only improve a dancer in their training, but friendships and life lessons that will stay with them as they journey through life.

It is our mission to provide a safe environment for any and all persons to learn and grow, not only as dancers, but as people. We promise to encourage the love of dance, while inspiring self-confidence, discipline, and the importance of hard work. Our main priority is to provide quality instruction in dance and create a loving environment. Respect, loyalty, and integrity are key elements in our program that are cultivated through work ethic, attitude, and teamwork. Commitment is the key element to each individual dancer as well as the team as a whole. We try to instill the importance of respect, loyalty, integrity within our competition teams. Your dancers acknowledge that when they commit to the season they are committing fully to be present with their team throughout the whole season.

This packet contains the basic information about our Tiny Team season and how everything flows. We want to make sure that you know everything your tiny dancer will be doing and we are here to answer any and all questions you have to make this a wonderful experience for both you and your dancer!

The Artistic Dance Company: A Basic Overview - Tiny Team

Q: Is my dancer ready for Tiny Team?

A: Your dancer must be between the ages 3 and 5 to join Tiny Team. We also require that your dancer has attended at least 1-2 semesters of recreational classes before signing up for Tiny Team! This helps ensure that they know the basic movements needed and that they are comfortable with the class environment!

Q: How long does the Tiny Team season run and what does it look like overall?

A: Our normal competition season goes from June to June, but with our Tiny Team it is a little different. Practices will start at the beginning of February and will go through Nationals at the beginning of June. Our Tiny Team will practice their routine 30 minutes a week and go to our May Regional Competition and Nationals Competition June. They also perform at our Competition Showcase in town in April.

Q: How many dances will my dancer be in?

A: Our Tiny Team competes in one dance! Tiny Team is meant to be a starting point for little dancers. We want to make it fun for them as they get to know what competitions are and get comfortable dancing on stage!

Q: What classes does my dancer have to be enrolled in at ADC to be on the Tiny Team?

A: They are required to be in one of our Sapphire classes. The only extra practice they will have is their 30 minute Routine Block on Wednesday from 4:00-4:30.

Q: What am I looking at financially for the season?

A: The four main fees that you will have during the year are: tuition, choreography, costuming, and competition fees. Our manager will keep you up to date on your balance, and our staff will send out schedules and reminders when payments are due.

-TUITION: Tuition is due the first week of each month. Tuition for a weekly total of 1 ¼ hours (Sapphire Class time & 30 minute Routine Block) a week is \$65 a month.

-CHOREOGRAPHY FEES: Choreography fees are paid only once at the start of their routine block practices. Please note that prices may change and vary.

Per Tiny Dancer for One Routine: \$50 per dancer

-COSTUME FEES: Costumes for group dances will have a fee of \$100 which will include any extra accessories, rhinestones, appliqués, hair pieces, etc. Also included, will be a pair of tights and a pair of earrings that everyone on the team wears. Age appropriate costumes will be chosen for each group dance by the choreographer. It is our mission to keep our costuming family friendly and appropriate for our performance venues.

-COMPETITION FEES: An **approximate** breakdown of competition fees at each competition is below. Please note that prices vary depending on the competition.

Group Dance: \$60 - \$75 per dancer for each routine

Studio Fee: \$40 per dancer for each competition

We hope that this was helpful in learning about being a member of The Artistic Dance Company's Tiny Team! We are so excited to be having a Tiny Team and can't wait for them to hit the stage and have so much fun. Please let us know if you have any other questions and we look forward to talking with you further!

Thank you,

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